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Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the grants received by the National Research Development Corporation NRDC during each of the last three years;

(b) whether NRDC has provided financial assistance to various projects/companies during the said period; and

(c) if so, the details thereof, company-wise and project-wise?

Answer

MINISTER FOR HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT AND SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI)

(a) The grant received by the National Research Development Corporation (NRDC) during each of the last three years 1997-98, 1998-99 and 1999-2000 was Rs. 180 lakh, Rs. 250 lakh and Rs. 250 lakh respectively. The grant received by the NRDC from the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research (DSIR) during the last three years, 1997-98, 1998-99 and 1999-2000 were: Rs. 58 lakh, Rs. 70 lakh and Rs. 77 lakh respectively for implementing the Invention Promotion Programme (IPP); and Rs. 122 lakh, Rs. 180 lakh and Rs. 173 lakh respectively for implementing the Technology Promotion Programme (TPP). Additionally, NRDC received grant of Rs. 38.5 lakh and Rs. 9 lakh from DSIR during the years 1998-99 and 1999-2000 respectively. Rs. 24.63 lakh were received from the Department of Science and Technology (DST) in the year 1998-99. These grants were released to NRDC for assisting implementation of specific projects and not for its in-house activities and programmes.

(b) & (c) Yes, Sir. During the last three years, the NRDC provided financial assistance of Rs. 16.41 lakh to ten companies/organisations for implementing projects, under the TPP and Rs. 21,000/- to five individual inventors for fabricating prototypes of their innovative devices and machines, under the IPP. Thus, a total financial assistance of Rs. 16.62 lakh was provided by the NRDC to various projects/companies during the last three years. The detail of financial assistance provided, company-wise and project-wise is as per Annexure.

ANNEXURE

DETAILS OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROVIDED BY NRDC DURING 1997-98, 1998-99 AND 1999-2000.

(Rs. in lakhs)

S.No.	Company/Inventor	Project	Amount
A.	Technology Promotion Programme		
1	M/s Yusuf Meherally Centre, Tara, Taluka Pavel, Dist. Ahmednagar, Maharashtra	Heavy Clay Based Pottery Unit	0.70
2	Electronics Research & Development Centre (ER&DC), Thiruvananthapuram	Design & Development of Direction Finder to locate Radio Distress Signals from Fishermen at Sea	2.00
3	ASHRAYA (NGO) Dehradun	Latex based Products from Euphorbia Plants	0.50
4	Govt. of Nagaland	Consultancy Services for Industrial	

	Resource Survey for setting up Industries		1.25
5	RTDT Centre, Kalika, Ranikhet	Solar Timber Seasoning Unit	1.00
6	National Physical Laboratory, Delhi, Centre for Biochemical Technology, Delhi & Indian Association for Cultivation of Science, Calcutta	Design & Development of Glucose Biosensor	4.70
7	Malladi Research Centre, Chennai	Thrombinase (Blood Clot Dissolving Agent)	5.70
8	Shriram Institute for Industrial Research, Delhi	Micro Crystalline Cellulose from Groundnut Shell	0.25
9	Invert Sugar Pvt. Ltd.,	Gwalior Invert Sugar	0.25
10	M/s Planters Energy Network,Madurai	Solar Air Heating System	0.06
	Sub Total (A)		16.41
B.	Invention Promotion Programme		
1	Dr. Inderjit Basak, REC, Durgapur	Hand Held Automatic Shoe Polishing Machine	0.03
2	Shri R.C. Wani & Shri P.T. Nikam, Maratwada Shikashan Prasarak Mandal, Aurangabad	Automatic Air Compressor Device	0.02
3	Shri Appachan, Kerala	Rat Catch	0.05
4	Shri Pradip Kumar	Sastha Saral Ice Cream Maker	0.06
5	Shri Sandip Jaidka	Nappy Monitor System	0.05
	Sub Total (B)		0.21
	Total (A+B)		16.62